

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ROOSEVELT CAMPOBELLO INTERNATIONAL PARK.**

The Governments of Canada and the United States of America

Noting the generous offer by the Hammer family of the summer home of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt on Campobello Island, New Brunswick, Canada, with the intention that it be opened to the general public as a memorial to President Roosevelt, and the acceptance in principle of this offer by Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson and President John F. Kennedy at Hyannis Port in May 1963; and

Recognizing the many intimate associations of President Roosevelt with the summer home on Campobello Island; and

Desiring to take advantage of this unique opportunity to symbolize the close and neighborly relations between the peoples of Canada and the United States of America by the utilization of the gift to establish a Canadian-United States memorial park;

Agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1**

There shall be established a joint Canadian-United States commission, to be called the "Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission", which shall have as its functions:

- (a) to accept title from the Hammer family to the former Roosevelt estate comprising the Roosevelt home and other grounds on Campobello Island;
- (b) to take the necessary measures to restore the Roosevelt home as closely as possible to its condition when it was occupied by President Roosevelt;
- (c) to administer as a memorial the "Roosevelt Campobello International Park" comprising the Roosevelt estate and such other lands as may be acquired.

**ARTICLE 2**

The Commission shall have juridical personality and all powers and capacity necessary or appropriate for the purpose of performing its functions under this agreement including, but not by way of limitation, the following powers and capacity:

- (a) to acquire and dispose of personal and real property, excepting the power to dispose of the Roosevelt home and the tract of land on which it is located;
- (b) to enter into contracts;
- (c) to sue or be sued in either the United States or Canada;
- (d) to appoint a staff, including an Executive Secretary who shall act as secretary at meetings of the Commission, and to fix the terms and conditions of their employment and remuneration;
- (e) to delegate to the Executive Secretary or other officials such authority respecting the employment and direction of staff and other responsibilities of the Commission as it deems desirable and appropriate;